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**NOTICE
OF AVAILABILITY OF STAFF REPORT AND PRELIMINARY STAFF
RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING SACRAMENTO COUNTY'S PROPOSED
GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT TO INCORPORATE
UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY P-3**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Delta Protection Commission has prepared a staff report and preliminary staff recommendation concerning Sacramento County's proposed General Plan amendment to incorporate Utilities and Infrastructure Policy P-3 into the County's General Plan as a result of the Commission's recent amendment to its "Land Use and Resource Management Plan for the Primary Zone of the Delta". The Commission's amendment was acted upon on September 26, 1996, and approved by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL). OAL's action became final on February 23, 1997.

Utilities and Infrastructure Policy P-3 states:

New sewage treatment facilities (including storage ponds) and areas for disposal of sewage effluent and sewage sludge shall not be located within the Delta Primary Zone. [Note: The Rio Vista project, as described in the adopted Final Environmental Impact Report for such project, and the Ironhouse Sanitary District use of Jersey Island for disposal of treated wastewater and biosolids are exempt from this policy.]

Sacramento County's actions are taken in conformance with the Delta Protection Act which states that after the adoption of any amendment of the Plan by the Commission, all local governments shall submit to the Commission proposed amendments which will cause their general plans to be consistent with the Act and the Plan (Public Resources Code, Section 29763).

To comply, Sacramento County proposes an amendment to the County General Plan to *"include Policy P-3 of the Utilities and Infrastructure Section of the 'Land Use and Resource Management Plan for the Primary Zone of the Delta' as part of the Delta Plan that the Board of Supervisors previously incorporated into the General Plan"*. The Board of Supervisors' earlier action was taken on September 5, 1996.

Copies of the staff report may be obtained from Margit Aramburu, Executive Director, Delta Protection Commission, either at P.O. Box 530, Walnut Grove, California, 95960, (916) 776-2290. Any inquiries concerning the proposed General Plan amendment should be directed to Margit Aramburu, Executive Director, at the above address and phone number. The staff report includes the analysis required under the California Environmental Quality Act and the Commission's regulations governing environmental review for Delta Protection Commission planning activities.

A written comment period has been established commencing March 13, 1998, and terminating on April 10, 1998. Any interested person may present written comments concerning the proposed general plan amendment. Comments must be received no later than April 10, 1998 at 5:00 p.m. by Margit Aramburu, Executive Director, Delta Protection Commission, either at P.O. Box 530, Walnut Grove, California, 95960, or at the hearing identified below.

The Commission will hold one public hearing to receive public testimony on this matter on: Thursday, March 26, 1998, at 6:30 p.m. at the Jean Harvie Community Center, 14273 River Road, Walnut Grove, California.

The Commission will consider approval of the proposed General Plan amendment at the Commission's regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 28, 1998, at 6:30 p.m. in the Jean Harvie Community Center, 14273 River Road, Walnut Grove, California.
